

Class Notes 19:

Numerical Methods (2/2)

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Runge-Kutta Methods

- The slope function of f is replaced by a weighted average of slopes over the interval $x_n \leq x \leq x_{n+1}$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h \underbrace{(w_1 k_1 + w_2 k_2 + \cdots + w_m k_m)}_{\text{weighted average}}$$

w_i – ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$) – constants generally satisfy

$$w_1 + w_2 + \cdots + w_m = 1$$

k_i – ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$) – the function f evaluated at selected point (x, y) for which $x_n \leq x \leq x_{n+1}$

m – The order of the method

Runge-Kutta Methods

$$\text{For } \left. \begin{array}{l} m = 1 \\ w_1 = 1 \\ k_1 = f(x_n, y_n) \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n) \\ \text{First order RK (RK1)} \end{array}$$

Second order RK method

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h(w_1 k_1 + w_2 k_2)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} k_1 = f(x_n, y_n) \\ k_2 = f(x_n + \alpha h, y_n + \beta h k_1) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} w_1 + w_2 = 1 & w_1 = 1 - w_2 \\ w_2 \alpha = 1/2 & \rightarrow \alpha = 1/2 w_2 \\ w_2 \beta = 1/2 & \beta = 1/2 w_2 \end{array} \right.$$

Taylor polynomial degree 2

$$\begin{aligned} y(x_{n+1}) &= y(x_n + h) = \\ &= y(x_n) + hy'(x_n) + \frac{h^2}{2!} y''(x_n) \end{aligned}$$

Runge-Kutta Methods

The choice $w_2 = \frac{1}{2}$
(can be chosen arbitrarily) $\rightarrow \begin{cases} w_1 = 1/2 \\ \alpha = 1 \\ \beta = 1 \end{cases}$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{2}(k_1 + k_2)$$

$$\begin{cases} k_1 = f(x_n, y_n) \\ k_2 = f(x_n + h, y_n + hk_1) \end{cases}$$

since

$$x_n + h = x_{n+1}$$

$$y_n + hk_1 = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n)$$

\rightarrow Improved Euler's method

Fourth-order Runge-Kutta Methods (RK4)

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h(w_1k_1 + w_2k_2 + w_3k_3 + w_4k_4)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} k_1 = f(x_n, y_n) \\ k_2 = f(x_n + \alpha_1h, y_n + \beta_1hk_1) \\ k_3 = f(x_n + \alpha_2h, y_n + \beta_2hk_1 + \beta_3hk_2) \\ k_4 = f(x_n + \alpha_3h, y_n + \beta_4hk_1 + \beta_5hk_2 + \beta_6hk_3) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 11 \text{ Equations} \\ 13 \text{ Unknown} \end{array} \right.$$

Taylor polynomial degree 4

$$y(x_{n+1}) = y(x_n + h) = y(x_n) + hy'(x_n) + \frac{h^2}{2!} y''(x_n) + \frac{h^3}{4!} y'''(x_n) + \frac{h^4}{5!} y^{(4)}(x_n)$$

Fourth-order Runge-Kutta Methods (RK4)

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} k_1 = f(x_n, y_n) \\ k_2 = f\left(x_n + \frac{1}{2}h, y_n + \frac{1}{2}hk_1\right) \\ k_3 = f\left(x_n + \frac{1}{2}h, y_n + \frac{1}{2}hk_2\right) \\ k_4 = f(x_n + h, y_n + hk_3) \end{array} \right.$$

Fourth-order Runge-Kutta Methods (RK4)

For $y' = f(t, y)$, $y(t_0) = y_0$

RK4 algorithm

$$k_1 = f(t, y)$$

$$k_2 = f(t + 0.5 \cdot h, y + 0.5 \cdot h \cdot k_1)$$

$$k_3 = f(t + 0.5 \cdot h, y + 0.5 \cdot h \cdot k_2)$$

$$k_4 = f(t + h, y + h \cdot k_3)$$

$$y = y + (h/6) \cdot (k_1 + 2 \cdot k_2 + 2 \cdot k_3 + k_4)$$

$$t = t + h$$

- RK4 method is relatively simple to use and sufficiently accurate to handle many problems efficiently.

Runge-Kutta Methods - Error

Method	Local truncation	Global truncation
Euler	h^2	h
Improved Euler	h^3	h^2
Runge-Kutta Second order	h^3	h^2
Runge-Kutta Fourth order	h^5	h^4
Adams-Bashforth- Moulton	h^5	h^4

Runge-Kutta Methods - Example

$$y' = 1 - t + 4y, \quad y(0) = 1$$

Taking $h = 0.2$ for *RK4* method,

$$k_{01} = f(0, 1) = 5$$

$$k_{02} = f(0 + 0.1, 1 + 0.5) = 6.9$$

$$k_{03} = f(0 + 0.1, 1 + 0.69) = 7.66$$

$$k_{04} = f(0 + 0.2, 1 + 1.532) = 10.928$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= 1 + \frac{0.2}{6} [5 + 2(6.9) + 2(7.66) + 10.928] \\ &= 2.5016 \end{aligned}$$

Runge-Kutta Methods - Example

$$y' = 1 - t + 4y, y(0) = 1$$

Compare results

	Improved Euler	Runge-Kutta			Exact
t	h=0.025	h=0.2	h=0.1	h=0.05	
2.0	3496.6702	3490.5574	3535.8667	3539.8804	3540.2001
error	1.23%	1.40%	0.122%	0.00903%	
evaluation #	160	40			

Shortcoming with Fixed Step Size

- A step size that is small enough in some parts of the interval can be not enough to others.
- Local truncation error can be estimated in each step and change step size accordingly.

One way to estimate error is calculating difference between fourth order and fifth order method results

Multistep Methods

- In previous methods, the only data at $t = t_n$ are used to calculate an approximate value at $t = t_{n+1}$. (one-step methods)

$$\phi_n \rightarrow \phi_{n+1}$$

- What if we use a few points rather than just the value at the last point? (Multistep Methods)

$$\dots, \phi_{n-1}, \phi_n \rightarrow \phi_{n+1}$$

Multistep Methods

Adams-Bashforth method

$$\phi(t_{n+1}) - \phi(t_n) = \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \underbrace{\phi'(t)}_{\uparrow} dt$$

Approximate this term by a polynomial of degree k
(Higher degree gives more accuracy)

Example, with a first degree polynomial ($k=1$)

$$\begin{aligned} P_1(t) = At + B &\longrightarrow P_1(t_n) = f(t_n, y_n) &\longrightarrow At_n + B = f_n \\ &P_1(t_{n-1}) = f(t_{n-1}, y_{n-1}) &At_{n-1} + B = f_{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \longrightarrow A = \frac{f_n - f_{n-1}}{h} &\longrightarrow \text{Integration} &\longrightarrow y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{3}{2}hf_n - \frac{1}{2}hf_{n-1} \\ B = \frac{f_{n-1}t_n - f_n t_{n-1}}{h} && \end{aligned}$$

Multistep Methods

Adams-Moulton method

- Principle is similar with Adams-Bashforth method, but use different points. Use (t_n, y_n) and (t_{n+1}, y_{n+1})

Result for $k = 1$ case

$$\frac{y_{n+1}}{\uparrow} = y_n + \frac{1}{2}hf_n + \frac{1}{2}hf(t_{n+1}, \frac{y_{n+1}}{\uparrow})$$

implicit

- Adams-Moulton formulas of moderate order are considerably more accurate than Adams-Bashforth method. But, implicit.

Multistep Methods

Adams-Bashforth-Moulton method

- Combining two formulas to achieve both simplicity and accuracy.

(Predictor/corrector method)

For $k=4$,

Predictor(Adams-Bashforth)

$$y_{n+1}^* = y_n + \frac{h}{24} (55y'_n - 59y'_{n-1} + 37y'_{n-2} - 9y'_{n-3})$$

Corrector(Adams-Moulton)

$$y'_{n+1} = f(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1})$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{24} (9f_{n+1} + 19f_n - 5f_{n-1} + f_{n-2})$$

Multistep Methods

- In order to use multistep methods, it is necessary first to calculate a few y by some other method.
- One way to proceed is to use a one-step method of comparable accuracy to calculate the necessary starting values.

Multistep Methods - Example

$$y' = x + y - 1$$

$$y(0) = 1$$

$$h = 0.2$$

$y(0.8)$ – will be approximated by y_4

Use RK4 method with $x_0 = 0$; $y_0 = 1$; $h = 0.2$ to obtain

$$y_1 = 1.02140000$$

$$y_2 = 1.09181796$$

$$y_3 = 1.22210646$$

For $x_0 = 0$, $x_1 = 0.2$; $x_2 = 0.4$; $x_3 = 0.6$

$$y'_0 = f(x_0, y_0) = 0 + 1 - 1 = 0$$

$$y'_1 = f(x_1, y_1) = 0.2 + 1.0210000 - 1 = 0.22140000$$

$$y'_2 = f(x_2, y_2) = 0.4 + 1.09181796 - 1 = 0.49181796$$

$$y'_3 = f(x_3, y_3) = 0.6 + 1.22210646 - 1 = 0.82210646$$

Multistep Methods - Example

$$y_4^* = y_3 + \frac{0.2}{24} (55y_3' - 59y_2' + 37y_1' - 9y_0') = 1.42535975$$

Use the corrector

$$y' = f(x_4, y_4^*) = 8.8 + 1.42535975 - 1 = 1.22535975$$

$$y_4 = y_3 + \frac{0.2}{24} (9y_4' + 19y_3' - 5y_2' + y_1') = 1.42552788$$

The actual value of $y(0.8) = 1.42554093$

Stability of Numerical Methods

Stable – Small changes in the initial condition result in only small changes in the computed solution

Unstable – If it is not stable

-In each step after the first step of a numerical technique, we are starting over again with a new initial value problem, when the initial condition is the approximate solution value computed in the previous step.

-Because of the presence of round-off error, this value will almost certainly vary at least slightly from the true value of the solution.

Stability of Numerical Methods

Detecting instability : 1. Decrease the step size
2. Perturb the initial conditions

$$y(0) = 1 \rightarrow y(0) = 0.9999$$

Higher-order Equation and System

- Second order initial value problem

$$y'' = f(x, y, y')$$

$$I.C. \begin{cases} y(x_0) = y_0 \\ y'(x_0) = u_0(x_0) \end{cases}$$

- Convert the problem into a set of first order diff. eq.

$$y' = u$$

$$u' = f(x, y, u)$$

$$\text{since } y'(x_0) = u(x_0) \rightarrow I.C. \begin{cases} y(x_0) = y_0 \\ u(x_0) = u_0 \end{cases}$$

Higher-order Equation and System

- Apply a particular numerical method to each first order diff. eq. in the system

For example - Euler's method

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hu_n$$

$$u_{n+1} = u_n + hf(x_n, y_n, u_n)$$

For example - RK4

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{6}(m_1 + 2m_2 + 2m_3 + m_4)$$

$$u_{n+1} = u_n + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$$

$$m_1 = u_n$$

$$m_2 = u_n + 1/2 \cdot hk_1$$

$$m_3 = u_n + 1/2 \cdot hk_2$$

$$m_4 = u_n + 1/2 \cdot hk_3$$

$$k_1 = f(x_n, y_n, u_n)$$

$$k_2 = f(x_n + 1/2 \cdot h, y_n + 1/2 \cdot hm_1, u_n + 1/2 \cdot hk_1)$$

$$k_3 = f(x_n + 1/2 \cdot h, y_n + 1/2 \cdot hm_2, u_n + 1/2 \cdot hk_2)$$

$$k_4 = f(x_n + h, y_n + hm_3, u_n + hk_3)$$

Higher-order Equation and System - Example

Euler's method

$$y'' + xy' + y = 0 \rightarrow y'' = -xy' - y$$

$$IC \begin{cases} y(0) = 1 \\ y'(0) = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$y' = u$$

$$u' = -xu - y$$

$$\begin{cases} y(0) = 1 \\ u(0) = 2 \end{cases}$$

Use step size $h = 0.1$; $y_0 = 1$; $u_0 = 2$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} y_1 = y_0 + hu_0 = 1 + (0.1)2 = 1.2 \\ u_1 = u_0 + (h)[-x_0u_0 - y_0] = 2 + (0.1)[-0.2 - 1] = 1.9 \\ y_2 = y_1 + hu_1 = 1.2 + (0.1)1.9 = 1.39 \\ u_2 = u_1 + (h)[-x_1u_1 - y_1] = 1.9 + 0.1[-(0.1)(1.9) - 1.2] = 1.761 \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{l} y(0.1) = 1.2 \\ y'(0.1) = 1.9 \\ y(0.2) \cong 1.39 \\ y'(0.2) \cong 1.761 \end{array}$$

System Reduction to First-order System

High order system
of diff eq. $\xrightarrow{\text{(Reduce)}}$ First order system
of dff. Eq.

Example

$$\begin{cases} x'' - x' + 5x + 2y'' = e^t \\ -2x + y'' + 2y = 3t^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} x'' + 2y'' = e^t - 5x - x' \\ y'' = 3t^2 + 2x - 2y \end{cases}$$

System Reduction to First-order System

$$x'' = -9x + 4y + x' + e^t - 6t^2$$

Since the second equation of the system already express the highest order derivation of y

$$\begin{cases} x' = u \\ y' = v \\ u' = x'' = -9x + 4y + u + e^t - 6t^2 \\ v' = y'' = 2x - 2y + 3t^2 \end{cases}$$

Numerical Solution of a System

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dx_1}{dt} = g_1(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ \frac{dx_2}{dt} = g_2(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ \quad \quad \quad \vdots \\ \frac{dx_n}{dt} = g_n(t, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{array} \right.$$

RK4

$$x' = f(t, x, y)$$

$$y' = g(t, x, y)$$

$$I.C. \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x(t_0) = x_0 \\ y(t_0) = y_0 \end{array} \right.$$

Numerical Solution of a System

$$\begin{cases} x_{n+1} = x_n + \frac{h}{6}(m_1 + 2m_2 + 2m_3 + m_4) \\ y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4) \end{cases}$$

$$m_1 = f(t_n, x_n, y_n)$$

$$m_2 = f(t_n + 1/2 \cdot h, x_n + 1/2 \cdot hm_1, y_n + 1/2 \cdot hk_1)$$

$$m_3 = f(t_n + 1/2 \cdot h, x_n + 1/2 \cdot hm_2, y_n + 1/2 \cdot hk_2)$$

$$m_4 = f(t_n + h, x_n + hm_3, y_n + hk_3)$$

$$k_1 = g(t, x_n, y_n)$$

$$k_2 = g(t_n + 1/2 \cdot h, x_n + 1/2 \cdot hm_1, y_n + 1/2 \cdot hk_1)$$

$$k_3 = g(t_n + 1/2 \cdot h, x_n + 1/2 \cdot hm_2, y_n + 1/2 \cdot hk_2)$$

$$k_4 = g(t_n + h, x_n + hm_3, y_n + hk_3)$$

Numerical Solution of a System - Example

RK4 method

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= 2x + 4y \\y' &= -x + 6y\end{aligned} \quad I.C. \begin{cases} x(0) = -1 \\ y(0) = 6 \end{cases}$$

Find $x(0.6)$, $y(0.6)$ and compare values for $h = 0.2, 0.1$

For $h = 0.2$

$$\begin{aligned}f(t, x, y) &= 2x + 4y \\g(t, x, y) &= -x + 6y\end{aligned}$$

$$m_1 = f(t_0, x_0, y_0) = f(0, -1, 6) = 2(-1) + 4(6) = 22$$

$$k_1 = g(t_0, x_0, y_0) = g(0, -1, 6) = -1(-1) + 6(6) = 37$$

$$m_2 = f(t_0 + 1/2 \cdot h, x_0 + 1/2 \cdot hm_1, y_0 + 1/2 \cdot hk_1) = f(0.1, 1.2, 9.7) = 41.2$$

$$k_2 = g(t_0 + 1/2 \cdot h, x_0 + 1/2 \cdot hm_1, y_0 + 1/2 \cdot hk_1) = g(0.1, 1.2, 9.7) = 57$$

$$m_3 = f(t_0 + 1/2 \cdot h, x_0 + 1/2 \cdot hm_2, y_0 + 1/2 \cdot hk_2) = f(0.1, 3.12, 11.7) = 53.04$$

$$k_3 = g(t_0 + 1/2 \cdot h, x_0 + 1/2 \cdot hm_2, y_0 + 1/2 \cdot hk_2) = g(0.1, 3.12, 11.7) = 67.08$$

$$m_4 = f(t_0 + h, x_0 + hm_3, y_0 + hk_3) = f(0.2, 9.608, 19.416) = 96.88$$

$$k_4 = g(t_0 + h, x_0 + hm_3, y_0 + hk_3) = g(0.2, 9.608, 19.416) = 106.88$$

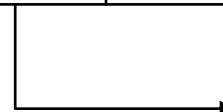
Numerical Solution of a System - Example

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= x_0 + \frac{0.2}{6}(m_1 + 2m_2 + 2m_3 + m_4) \\ &= -1 + \frac{0.2}{6}(22 + 2(41.2) + 2(53.04) + 96.88) = 9.2453\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}y_1 &= y_0 + \frac{0.2}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4) \\ &= 6 + \frac{0.2}{6}(37 + 2(57) + 2(67.08) + 106.888) = 19.0683\end{aligned}$$

$t = 0.6$

h	x(0.6)	y(0.6)
0.1	160.7563	152.0025
0.2	158.9430	150.8192
Exact	160.9384	152.1198


$$\begin{aligned}x(t) &= (26t - 1)e^{4t} \\ y(t) &= (13t + 6)e^{4t}\end{aligned}$$